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RE: Application Serial No.: 10/657,118

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For: METHOD FOR ASSAYING WHOLE BLOOD

Group Art Unit: 1641

Examiner: GABEL, GAILENE

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Responsive to the Official Action dated June 6, 2006, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group I, Claims 1-11, 15 and 16 drawn to a method of measuring an analyte contained in a heterogeneous sample mixture and kit therefor.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.